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Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: high-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

Report of the Second Committee*

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I. Introduction

1. The Second Committee held a substantive debate on agenda item 97 (see A/56/560, para. 2). Action on sub-item (c) was taken at the 27th and 38th meetings, on 19 November and 10 December 2001. An account of the Committee's consideration of the sub-item is contained in the relevant summary records (A/C.2/56/SR.27 and 38).

II. Consideration or proposals

A. Draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.22 and A/C.2/56/L.56

2. At the 27th meeting, on 19 November, the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of 77 and China, introduced a draft resolution entitled "High-level dialogue on strengthening international cooperation for development through partnership" (A/C.2/56/L.22), which read:

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"*The General Assembly*,

"*Recalling* its resolutions 48/165 of 21 December 1993, 49/95 of 19 December 1994, 50/122 of 20 December 1995, 51/174 of 16 December 1996, 52/186 of 18 December 1997, 53/181 of 15 December 1998, 54/213 of 22 December 1999 and 55/193 of 20 December 2000,

"*Reaffirming* its resolution 55/2 of 8 September 2000, entitled 'United Nations Millennium Declaration',

"*Recalling* the Agenda for Development and the relevant provisions on its follow-up and implementation, and the need to give impetus to international economic cooperation for development so as to follow up on the Agenda effectively,

"*Reaffirming* the importance of continuing the dialogue to be conducted in response to the imperative of solidarity, mutual interests and benefits, genuine interdependence, shared responsibility and the partnership in promoting international economic cooperation for development,

"*Recognizing*, in this context, the importance of an enabling environment and sound economic policy at both the national and the international levels,

"*Taking note* of the need to ensure the integrated and coordinated follow-up and implementation by the United Nations system of the outcome of major United Nations conferences and summits,

"1. *Reaffirms* the importance of continued constructive dialogue and genuine partnership to promote further international economic cooperation for development;

"2. *Decides* to convene the third two-day high-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership during the fifty-eighth session of the General Assembly;

"3. *Decides also* that the timing, the themes and the modalities of the third high-level dialogue will be decided through the intergovernmental process at the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly;

"4. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in close consultation with Governments, all relevant parts of the United Nations system and other relevant stakeholders, to propose themes for the promotion of international economic cooperation for the third high-level dialogue for consideration by the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

"5. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session, under the item entitled 'Sustainable development and international economic cooperation', the sub-item entitled 'High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership', and requests the Secretary-General to submit to it at that session a consolidated report on the implementation of the present resolution."

3. At the 38th meeting, on 10 December, the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), introduced a draft resolution entitled "High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development

through partnership" (A/C.2/56/L.56), which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.22.

4. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.56 (see para. 7).

5. In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.56, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.22 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

B. Documents relating to the high-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

6. At its 38th meeting, on 10 December, upon the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided to recommend to the General Assembly that it take note of the summary by the President of the General Assembly of the high-level dialogue on the theme "Responding to globalization: facilitating the integration of developing countries into the world economy in the twenty-first century" (A/56/482) (see para. 8).

III. Recommendations of the Second Committee

7. The Second Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolutions 48/165 of 21 December 1993, 49/95 of 19 December 1994, 50/122 of 20 December 1995, 51/174 of 16 December 1996, 52/186 of 18 December 1997, 53/181 of 15 December 1998, 54/213 of 22 December 1999 and 55/193 of 20 December 2000,

Reaffirming its resolution 55/2 of 8 September 2000, entitled "United Nations Millennium Declaration",

Recalling the Agenda for Development[1] and the relevant provisions on its follow-up and implementation, and the need to give impetus to international economic cooperation for development so as to follow up on the Agenda effectively,

Reaffirming the importance of continuing the dialogue to be conducted in response to the imperative of solidarity, mutual interests and benefits, genuine interdependence, shared responsibility and the partnership in promoting international economic cooperation for development,

Recognizing, in this context, the importance of an enabling environment and sound economic policy at both the national and the international level,

[1] Resolution 51/240, annex.

Taking note of the need to ensure the integrated and coordinated follow-up and implementation by the United Nations system of the outcome of major United Nations conferences and summits,

1. *Reaffirms* the importance of continued constructive dialogue and genuine partnership to promote further international economic cooperation for development;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General, in close consultation with Governments, all relevant parts of the United Nations system and other relevant stakeholders, to propose the modalities, the nature and the timing of such constructive dialogue and genuine partnership for the promotion of international economic cooperation for development for consideration by the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

3. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session, under the item entitled "Sustainable development and international economic cooperation", the sub-item entitled "High-level dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership", and requests the Secretary-General to submit to it at that session a consolidated report on the implementation of the present resolution.

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8. The Second Committee also recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft decision:

Summary by the President of the General Assembly of the high-level dialogue on the theme "Responding to globalization: facilitating the integration of developing countries into the world economy in the twenty-first century"

The General Assembly decides to take note of the summary by the President of the General Assembly of the high-level dialogue on the theme "Responding to globalization: facilitating the integration of developing countries into the world economy in the twenty-first century."[2]

[2] A/56/482.